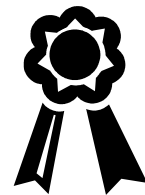


IMPORTANT DATES

- February 9 - 4-H Day at the State Capitol
Program participants will have an opportunity to tour the State Capitol Building, as well as visit with Legislators, House/Senate representatives and Pages. Phone for schedule and other information.
- March 1 & 2 - 4-H County Contests – Cooperative Extension Office
3:30 – 5:30 p.m. **(Deadline: February 17, 2006) No exceptions**
- March 10 - Chesterfield 4-H Horse Bowl – 6:30 p.m.
Eanes-Pittman Public Safety Training Center
- April 1 - 4-H resumes due for National Congress
- April 1 - Northeast District Share-the-Fun and Fashion Revue Contests
Northeast District Presentation and Public Speaking Contests
Charles City County High School/Middle School
- April 17 - Teen & Adult Camp Training
Jamestown 4-H Educational Center – 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
- May 21 – 22 - Northeast District 4-H Horse Show
Dorey Park – Henrico
- June 3 - Teen and Adult Training
Jamestown 4-H Educational Center 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
- June 4 - Open House – Jamestown 4-H Educational Center
- June 10 - James River Clean-up
Great community service project for your club. Free T-shirt and lunch for all participants.
- June 26 – 29 - State 4-H Congress (Virginia Tech – Blacksburg)
Ages 14 – 19. Partial scholarships available.
- July 17 – 21 - Chesterfield 4-H Camp
Jamestown 4-H Educational Center – Williamsburg
- July 25 – 30 - Southern Regional 4-H Horse Championships
Raleigh, NC
- September 14 – 17 - State 4-H Horse Show – Lexington, Virginia



CONGRATULATIONS TO ACHIEVEMENT NIGHT WINNERS

293 awards were presented to 86 outstanding 4-H members and volunteers on December 12. Certificates were presented to 4-H members who participated in State 4-H Congress, State 4-H Horse Show, and Southern Regionals. In addition, certificates were presented to 4-H'ers for completing project work. The following 4-H'ers received pins: (Achievement) Jennifer Allmond and Amanda Bradbery, (Citizenship) Maria Anavisca and Kristin Grappone, (Horse) Kathryn Reibsamen, (Leadership) Ana Aquino-Perez, Carrie Davis and Mallory Lee.



Dinah Hill (Day Camp Volunteer, In-school Volunteer & JMG Club Leader) was awarded the 2005 Outstanding Leader Award

HORSE BOWL



There will be a 4-H Horse Bowl on March 10 from 6:30 – 9:30 p.m. in the Eanes-Pittman Public Safety Training Center. Details will be available from your club leader. Questions will come from the following sources:

Horses and Horsemanship (4-H curriculum – available for purchase at office - \$3.00)
Horse Science (4-H curriculum – available for purchase at office - \$3.00)
Evans Text: Horses and Horsemanship
Evans Text: The Horse ————— available to borrow from the Extension office

TEEN CLUB

The Chesterfield 4-H Teen Club has had a wonderful 2nd year! Any youth ages 13 – 19 are welcome to join. Meetings are held in the Cooperative Extension Office Classroom. The schedule for the next several months is:

February 9	-	6:00 – 7:30 p.m.
March 9	-	6:00 – 7:30 p.m.
April 6	-	6:00 – 7:30 p.m.
May 11	-	6:00 – 7:30 p.m.
June 8	-	6:00 – 7:30 p.m.
July 13	-	6:00 – 7:30 p.m.
August 10	-	6:00 – 7:30 p.m.

Come join in the fun, and bring a friend! Call Jaime at 751-4401 for details.

DISTRICT CONTESTS

Take your presentation, public speech, or share-the-fun talent to the next level! The Northeast District Contest is a great chance for you to participate in a District level event in one of these areas. Contact Jaime for details.



Jaime Strohacker, Extension Agent
4-H Youth Development

CHILL OUT WITH 4-H 2006 WINTER 4-H NEWSLETTER



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ANNOUNCING: CHESTERFIELD COUNTY 4-H CONTESTS
MARCH 1 & 2 – PRESENTATION AND PUBLIC SPEAKING CONTESTS
LOCATION: COOPERATIVE EXTENSION OFFICE, ROUTE 10, COUNTY GOVERNMENT COMPLEX
TIME: 3:30 – 5:30 P.M.

You can participate in one of the following competition areas.

Presentation: Show and explain how to do something or how something works through either a “demonstration” or an “illustrated talk.” In a “demonstration”, a finished product or task is actually completed during the presentation time. (example: “How to Make a Birdhouse for Under \$5.00”). An “illustrated talk” uses models, drawings, slides, etc. instead of actually completing a product or task. (example: “How Can a Sewing Machine Do Different Stitches”).

Junior age 9 – 11
5 – 10 minutes

Intermediate age 12 – 13
5 – 10 minutes

Senior age 14 – 19
10 – 15 minutes

Public Speaking: A speech in which you share your knowledge, ideas, and/or opinions on a topic which interests you. Visual aids such as posters may be used. (example: “The Importance of Dog Immunizations”).

Junior age 9 – 11
3 – 5 minutes

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Senior age 14 – 19
5 – 7 minutes

All participants receive ribbons. Top winners receive \$25.00 awards from the 4-H Development Fund.
Registration form available – phone 751-4401. Entry deadline: February 17, 2006 (NO EXCEPTIONS).
SHARE-THE-FUN AND FASHION REVUE WILL BE HELD AT THE CHESTERFIELD COUNTY FAIR IN AUGUST
(Registration Form in a Future Newsletter)

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